

Though the odds were against him succeeding, Bob Adams never gave up. He never chose a life of stealing and drug dealing. That would have been the easy way out. Instead of saying, "I can't make it. It's too hard to succeed," Bob Adams instead decided to work hard in school, keep his faith in Jesus and maintain a positive attitude. Just like that song you hear over the radio, Bob Adams told himself, "I might get knocked down, but I'll get up again. You're never going to keep me down."

Today, Mr. Speaker, I am proud to say that my friend Bob Adams is a successful businessman who owns a printing company and today does his part to give back to his community. He is one of the greatest examples I can think of when it comes to excellent role models in the black community.

Mr. Speaker, my fellow colleagues, when the going got tough, Bob Adams didn't say, "I have gone this far, I can go no farther." Instead he told himself, "I'll never quit and I'll never give up." Friends, that is the essence of the American Spirit. That is the bulldog mentality that built America into the greatest country in the world.

My friends, whenever we despair and feel like quitting, it is time for us to get up, dust ourselves off and remember that great Bible verse—"I can do all things through him who gives me strength." And then we should remember the example of such fine role models as Bob Adams for inspiration. Bob Adams is proof that anyone can succeed in America if they put their mind to it, and their faith in God.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 11, 1998*

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, on February 5, 1998, I was unavoidably detained, therefore, missing roll call votes 8–10. Had I been here I would have voted Yea on roll call vote 8 (H. Res. 348) providing for the consideration of H.R. 2846; Yea on roll call vote 9 (H.R. 2846) prohibiting spending Federal education funds on national testing without explicit and specific legislation; and Yea on roll call 10 (H.R. 2631) disapproving the cancellations transmitted by the President on October 6, 1997, regarding Public Law 105–45.

#### TRIBUTE TO LARRY ROSENTHAL

### HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 11, 1998*

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a member of my staff who has recently left my office to become the Chief of Staff at the National Indian Gaming Commission. Larry Rosenthal, who hails from my hometown of Flint, MI, began working as a legislative assistant in my office in 1987. I recognized immediately that Larry shared my belief that the role of government is to preserve, protect, defend and enhance human dignity.

As Members of Congress, we know how crucial it is to have a good staff. I have always

sought to hire people who have good heads and good hearts. Larry has both attributes in great abundance. Indeed, over the years, Larry has not only become one of my closest advisors, he has also been one of my dearest friends.

During his tenure on my staff, Larry handled a variety of my most important legislative priorities. He was instrumental in the passage of the Michigan Wilderness Heritage Act, the Grand Island National Recreation Area Act, and the Michigan Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Larry's work as the staff coordinator for the Congressional Automotive Caucus was crucial to my efforts to reinvigorate the Caucus and provide effective leadership in Congress on issues affecting the American automotive industry.

Most recently, Larry dedicated his time and efforts to the First Americans, Native Americans. He worked tirelessly to ensure recognition and federal support for tribes across the United States. Larry was committed to the fundamentals of sovereignty and respect that play such a critical role in Native American culture. His work as staff coordinator of the Congressional Native American Caucus has earned him a reputation in Washington, D.C. as one of the most knowledgeable congressional staffers on these issues. He has also earned the respect and gratitude of Native Americans in Indian Country.

There is no doubt that Larry has left an indelible mark on all of those who have come in contact with my congressional office. Whether planning a softball game, a reception for Ernie Harwell, or a conference on Indian Issues, Larry brought excitement and interest to each event. It is this dedication and devotion coupled with an indomitable spirit that makes Larry Rosenthal such a unique person. I am proud to call him my friend.

Larry's departure from my office is very bittersweet. Although I know that Larry will serve the government well at the NIGC, I will certainly miss his expertise. His service to the Ninth Congressional District should serve as an example to us all. Please join me in expressing my gratitude to Larry for his many years of service on Capitol Hill. I wish him the best in all his future endeavors.

#### 1,160-PERCENT INCREASE IN DRUG PRICE

### HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 11, 1998*

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, enclosed is a copy of a letter I've received from a Midwestern doctor.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE STARK: I am not from your district or even from California but I know your interest in problems with the pharmaceutical industry so I wanted to share this outrage I just found out to my dismay.

I called the Darby Drug Company to order a thousand tablets of the generic for Lomotil and found that what had been \$27.95 in 1997 is now \$325.00—honestly—more than a 10% increase. I could not believe it but was told it is true. They don't have the 1998 catalogue yet but they say that is the new price.

Help!

I have seen increases in the prices of drugs that seemed too high, but this is absurd. How

can they get away with it? Certainly the cost of making it did not go up more than 10 times in less than a year. The reason given me was that now there is only one company making it—a lame excuse for taking such advantage of patients in need.

Thanks for your efforts to protect the poor consumer.

#### WESTINGHOUSE SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

### HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 11, 1998*

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in the People's House to pay tribute to four young scholars from Ward Melville High School, in Setauket, Long Island whose talents and hard work have earned them the coveted distinction as finalists in the 1998 Westinghouse Science Talent Search contest. Continuing a remarkable legacy of scientific achievement at Ward Melville, Christopher Michael Gerson, Grace Ann Lau, Clyde Law and Thomas Peterson have been invited to Washington, DC to compete for the top honor in America's oldest and most prestigious high school scholarship competition.

Inspired by their own ingenuity and thirst for knowledge, and supported by the dedicated teaching staff at Ward Melville, Christopher, Grace, Clyde and Thomas have all created impressive research projects that met the competition's rigorous standards and earned them the recognition of the Westinghouse judges. These hard-working scholars have produced brilliant experiments in scientific research.

Christopher Gerson studied the effects of colliding continental plates by producing a laboratory model that accurately simulates geological movements. Using a sandbox with a movable wall to simulate plate motion, and precise marking and photography techniques, Chris devised a method for studying plate science using innovative quantitative studies. A sports columnist for the school magazine and a member of the school marching band, Chris hopes to study computer science and mathematics at Princeton University.

For her project, Grace An Lau researched the effects that extracts from green tea have on an enzyme involved in inflammatory tissue injuries. Her study demonstrated that green tea can significantly inhibit the enzyme Neutrophil, which is implicated in a variety of diseases, including arthritis and cystic fibrosis. A violinist in the school orchestra and a Science Olympiad participant, Grace will study biology in college and hopes to become a veterinarian or a field scientist.

Clyde Law's physics experiment examined the compressibility of nuclear matter substances by studying the flow of protons, providing important insight into nuclear and astrophysics. Clyde is a participant in Science Olympiad and was a finalist in the ThinkQuest Internet Contest. He is also active in the Asian Culture Club and tutors Chinese. He hopes to attend MIT to study engineering and computer science and plans to become a computer systems analyst.

Thomas Petersen's breakthrough project produced what is believed to be the first experimental verification that thermally induced